1	2	3	4	5
	Uttar Pradesh			
110.	Fetehpur	613.8	813.7	-25%
111.	Hardoi	449.6	804.7	-45%
112.	Lucknow	566.5	819.0	-31%
113.	Rae Bareilly	444.2	825.1	46%
114.	Agra	400.2	669.0	-40%
115.	Aligarh	412.9	624.9	-34%
116.	Badaun	574.5	764.0	-25%
117.	Bareilly	648.8	900.6	-28%
118.	Bijnore	720.4	938.5	-23%
119.	Etah	442.8	626.3	-29%
120.	Etwah	485.4	693.1	-30%
121.	Mathura	375.0	527.2	-29%
122.	Meerut	532.5	682.5	-31%
123.	Moradabad	567.7	825.5	-22%
124.	Pilibhit	802.9	1084.9	-31%
125.	Rampur	589.5	969.5	-39%
126.	Shahjahanpur	645.3	953.1	-32%
	Uttaranchal			
	Almora	702.6	896.8	-22%
128.	Garwal Tehri	330.7	722.2	-54%
129.	Naninital	7698	1468.9	-48%
130.	Uttarkashi	966.4	1321.8	-27%
	West Bengal			
131.	Cooch Behar	1617.0	2402.8	-33%
132.	Howra	964.0	1228.3	-22%

Closure of urea production units in Uttar Pradesh

*374. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister has sent a letter to the Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers regarding adverse impact and likely closure of urea production units in U.P. because of the recent notification by the Fertilizer Department, revising the consumption norms; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government on the same?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have sent a reply to Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh informing him that the interim revision of consumption norms w.e.f. 1.4.2000 has been carried out in order to contain the outflow of subsidy and fix the consumption norms at the realistic level. Such revision is, however, only an interim arrangement and is subject to the decision of the Government on the policy parameters for VII and VIII pricing periods which will include consumption norms also, and will be effective from 1.7.1997.

Chief Minister has been further informed that Government has taken note of the issues raised by him and that the Government is in the process of formulating the pricing policy for urea units for the VII and VIII pricing periods which would cover all the relevant factors, and expects to finalize it shortly.

Hazira Project of KRIBHCO

*375. SHRI AMAR SINGH:Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have not yet finally given clearance of Hazira Phase-II Project, submitted by KRIBHCO, which was accorded 1st stage approval by Government in October, 1997;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that inordinate delay in approval of the Hazira Project forced Government to import fertilizers and if so, what are the details of quantity of fertilizer imported by Government during the last three years, alongwith the expenditure incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA):

(a) and (b) The proposed Hazira (Phase-II) Fertilizer Expansion Project of Krishak Bharati Cooperative Ltd. (KRIBHCO), to manufacture urea, was aproved 'in principle' by the Government in